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Serial No.: 09/557,176

Filed: April 21, 2000

FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR FORMING VESSEL BODY AND THUS FORMED  
VESSEL BODY



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated June 27, 2000, enclosed for filing is the Verified English-language Translation (19-pages) for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$130.00, for the fee of \$130.00 for filing the Verified English-language Translation. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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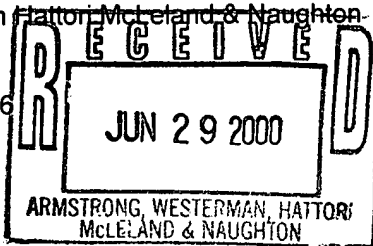


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- The application was filed in a language other than English.
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
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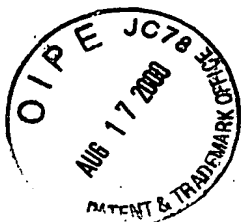
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I, Akiyoshi Ohchi, hereby declare that:

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2. That I believe the attached English language translation is a true and complete translation of the specification in Japanese filed with the patent application serial number 09/557,176.

I further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America the foregoing is true and correct.

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